

# SOFTWARE VERSION CHANGE SUMMARY

<b>Software Title</b>	COMPARE
<b>Version No.</b>	2.1a
<b>Release Date</b>	March 21, 2006

This COMPARE software Version Change Summary identifies the specific software modifications made to the previous version of COMPARE. The matrix below lists each area of the software that changed (Area Affected), a description of the change (Description), and the impact on the standard competition form (SCF) or streamlined competition form (SLCF) and its documentation (SCF/SLCF and Documentation Impact).

**Report any problems to the helpdesk as soon as possible at <http://www.compareA76.com>.**

## **Notes for Version 2.1a:**

1. To obtain the latest version of COMPARE, go to <http://www.compareA76.com> and select the **DOWNLOAD** option in the left hand menu bar. Refer to the **Download Instructions** link on the Download page for further assistance downloading the files.
2. **The first time you open an** existing COMPARE file in this version of COMPARE, an automatic update/recalculation will be invoked to ensure all cost data is updated to the new requirements. Depending on the number of records in your file, this may take several seconds to complete.
3. If you are installing/downloading COMPARE Version 2.1a, do not perform a web update (unless a new table update has been posted since the release date for Version 2.1a as shown above).

## **Advisories Addressed in COMPARE Version 2.1a:**

(Note: Please click on the **ADVISORIES** option in the menu bar on the left hand side of the COMPARE website, <http://www.compareA76.com>, for a complete description of each Advisory.)

- No Advisories addressed in this release.

## **COMPARE Version 2.1a Change Summary:**

#	Area Affected	Description	SCF/SLCF and Documentation Impact
1	Main Menu	Changes the version number to 2.1a	None
2	General	Incorporates additional data validation rules that make the apostrophe ( ' ), double quote ( " ) and pipe (   ) characters invalid for the Functional Area, Location, Service, Taxable Offeror Name, and Tax Exempt Offeror Name fields to prevent program crashes and abnormal functionality.	None
3	General	Changes the properties of a variable used in the code that counts the number of records processed when reports are being generated. The property for this variable is changed from an integer type data field that has a limit of 32,756 records to a long integer data field that has a limit of more than 2 billion records. This prevented the Baseline Cost Report and Streamlined and Standard Competition Forms from generating in files with too many records.	None

#	Area Affected	Description	SCF/SLCF and Documentation Impact
4	General (Progress Bars)	Corrects a limitation in the progress bar display to allow an infinite number of records to cycle through the process and eliminate the possibility of a program crash or abnormal functionality.	None
5	General (Read Only Files)	Adds code to suppress the automatic global update routine when a read only file is upgraded to a new version to prevent unauthorized changes to the read-only file (also referred to as archive files).	None
6	Line 3B (Minor Items)	Corrects the Listing? data field on Line 3B Minor Items to properly accept and retain "Y" entries in this data field.	None
7	Line 3B (Minor Items)	Allows the user to Sort By feature on Line 3B Minor Items that caused the sort by "item name" option to malfunction and not sort properly.	None
8	Line 7 (Private Sector Price or Public Reimbursable Cost Estimate)	Enhances the logic associated with the Price/Cost Type data field on the Line 7 cost records form to not require an entry unless cost data has been entered on the form. Also the new logic ignores the data validation rule for the Price/Cost Type field for read-only files to protect the integrity of the read-only file.	None
9	Line 7 (Private Sector Price or Public Reimbursable Cost Estimate)	Changes the help tip text for the Taxable? field on Line 7 to be more descriptive. The help tip text now displays "Select the tax status for this offeror: Taxable = YES, Tax-Exempt = NO, Foreign = F."	None
10	Reports (SLCF)	Corrects the streamlined competition form (SLCF) for non-DoD cost files to properly print the Line 14 Conversion Differential value on the report. The Line 14 values were correctly included in all related report calculations. This was a display correction only.	This change affects the SLCF report for non-DoD cost files only.
11	Reports (SLCF)	Allows the user to print the streamlined competition form (SLCF) from a read-only file.	None
12	Reports (Line 3B Worksheets)	Corrects the column alignment on this report to properly align the subtotals under the corresponding column. Also adds a subtotal for the 10% Replacement Cost column.	This change affects the Line 3B Worksheet report if this report was included in the documentation package.
13	Reports (Table Version Dates)	Adds a table name column to the Table Version Dates report.	None
14	Tables (All)	Incorporates all master table updates published since the Version 2.1 release (August 5, 2005).	This change affects all documentation and the SCF/SLCF if the rates and factors were not previously incorporated into the data file.
15	Baseline Cost Functionality	Enables the method code data field in preliminary planning baseline cost files to allow users to change this setting if necessary during development of their preliminary planning baseline costs.	None

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